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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NORIHIKO KAWATOKO, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/628,661

Filed: July 28, 2000

For: PRINTING APPARATUS, CONTROL
METHOD OF THE APPARATUS,
AND COMPUTER-READABLE
MEMORY

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) Examiner: B. Mouttet
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) August 14, 2002
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 15, 2002 for one month from July 15, 2002 to August 15, 2002.

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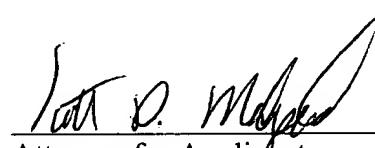
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Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 520.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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